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Office Action Summary

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Applicant(s)

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Examiner

Laura M Schillinger

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Period for Reply

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- If NO period for reply is specified above, the maximum statutory period will apply and will expire SIX (6) MONTHS from the mailing date of this communication.
- Failure to reply within the set or extended period for reply will, by statute, cause the application to become ABANDONED (35 U.S.C. § 133). Any reply received by the Office later than three months after the mailing date of this communication, even if timely filed, may reduce any earned patent term adjustment. See 37 CFR 1.704(b).

Status

- 1) ☒ Responsive to communication(s) filed on 14 May 2004.
- 2a) ☐ This action is **FINAL**. 2b) ☒ This action is non-final.
- 3) ☐ Since this application is in condition for allowance except for formal matters, prosecution as to the merits is closed in accordance with the practice under *Ex parte Quayle*, 1935 C.D. 11, 453 O.G. 213.

Disposition of Claims

- 4) ☒ Claim(s) 12-20 is/are pending in the application.
- 4a) Of the above claim(s) _____ is/are withdrawn from consideration.
- 5) ☐ Claim(s) _____ is/are allowed.
- 6) ☒ Claim(s) 12-20 is/are rejected.
- 7) ☐ Claim(s) _____ is/are objected to.
- 8) ☐ Claim(s) _____ are subject to restriction and/or election requirement.

Application Papers

- 9) ☐ The specification is objected to by the Examiner.
- 10) ☐ The drawing(s) filed on _____ is/are: a) ☐ accepted or b) ☐ objected to by the Examiner.
Applicant may not request that any objection to the drawing(s) be held in abeyance. See 37 CFR 1.85(a).
Replacement drawing sheet(s) including the correction is required if the drawing(s) is objected to. See 37 CFR 1.121(d).
- 11) ☐ The oath or declaration is objected to by the Examiner. Note the attached Office Action or form PTO-152.

Priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119

- 12) ☒ Acknowledgment is made of a claim for foreign priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119(a)-(d) or (f).
- a) ☒ All b) ☐ Some * c) ☐ None of:
1. ☒ Certified copies of the priority documents have been received.
2. ☐ Certified copies of the priority documents have been received in Application No. _____.
3. ☐ Copies of the certified copies of the priority documents have been received in this National Stage application from the International Bureau (PCT Rule 17.2(a)).

* See the attached detailed Office action for a list of the certified copies not received.

Attachment(s)

- 1) ☐ Notice of References Cited (PTO-892)
- 2) ☐ Notice of Draftsperson's Patent Drawing Review (PTO-948)
- 3) ☐ Information Disclosure Statement(s) (PTO-1449 or PTO/SB/08)
Paper No(s)/Mail Date _____.
- 4) ☐ Interview Summary (PTO-413)
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- 5) ☐ Notice of Informal Patent Application (PTO-152)
- 6) ☐ Other: _____.

DETAILED ACTION

Claim Rejections - 35 USC § 102

The following is a quotation of the appropriate paragraphs of 35 U.S.C. 102 that form the basis for the rejections under this section made in this Office action:

A person shall be entitled to a patent unless –

(e) the invention was described in-

(1) an application for patent, published under section 122(b), by another filed in the United States before the invention by the applicant for patent, except that an international application filed under the treaty defined in section 351(a) shall have the effect under this subsection of a national application published under section 122(b) only if the international application designating the United States was published under Article 21(2)(a) of such treaty in the English language; or

(2) a patent granted on an application for patent by another filed in the United States before the invention by the applicant for patent, except that a patent shall not be deemed filed in the United States for the purposes of this subsection based on the filing of an international application filed under the treaty defined in section 351(a).

Claims 12-20 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. 102(e) as being anticipated by Kang et al ('401).

In reference to claim 12, Kang teaches a method comprising:

Providing a transparent substrate (Fig.6A (60));

Fabricating a plurality of gate (88) and source lines (66) over the substrate, each line having a pad (98; 86); (Fig.6A)

Forming a first layer above the substrate to cover at least a portion of the substrate, wherein the first layer exposes the pad of the each line and defines at least one opening near the pad (72); (Fig.6A/6B) and

Forming a second layer (76) having a first part (82) and second part (78/80), wherein the first part is affixed to the pad to provide an electrical signal to the line and the second part is

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affixed to a bottom surface of the opening defined in the first layer to enhance adhesion between the first and second layers (Fig.6A/6B).

In reference to claim 13, Kang teaches wherein the first part of the second layer is a conductive portion and the second part is an insulating portion (Col.5, lines: 55-65).

In reference to claim 14, Kang teaches further including:

Forming a third layer between the second and the first layer, wherein the third layer affixes the first part to the pad and the second part to the substrate through at least one opening defined in the first layer (Fig.6B (74)).

In reference to claim 15, Kang teaches further including:

Forming a third layer disposed between the second and first layer, wherein the third layer affixes the conductive portion to the pad and the insulating portion to the substrate through the at least one opening defined in the first layer (Fig.6B (74)).

In reference to claim 16, Kang teaches wherein the second layer is a TCP (Col.1, lines: 15-25).

In reference to claim 17, Kang teaches wherein the third layer is ACF (Col.5, line:59).

In reference to claim 18, Kang teaches wherein the at least one opening defined in the first layer is fabricated to extend to the substrate (Fig.6B (70)).

In reference to claim 19, Kang teaches wherein the first layer defines a plurality of openings for securing the second layer above the first (Fig.6B (70)).

In reference to claim 20, Kang teaches further including:

Forming a third layer between the second and the first where in the third layer affixes the first part to the pad and the second part to the substrate through at least one opening defined in the first layer (Fig.6B (70))

Response to Arguments

Applicant argues that the prior art rejection should be overcome by his foreign priority document- however the Examiner needs to review an English translation to ensure that the claimed subject matter is contained in the foreign priority document to find this argument persuasive.

Conclusion

Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to Laura M Schillinger whose telephone number is (703) 308-6425. The examiner can normally be reached on M-T, R-F 7:00-5:00.

If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, Carl W Whitehead, Jr. can be reached on (703) 308-4940. The fax phone numbers

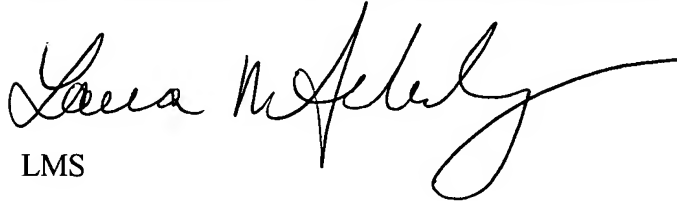
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for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned are (703) 308-7722 for regular communications and (703) 308-7722 for After Final communications.

Any inquiry of a general nature or relating to the status of this application or proceeding should be directed to the receptionist whose telephone number is (703) 308-0956.

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